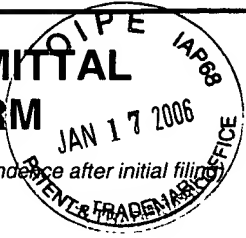


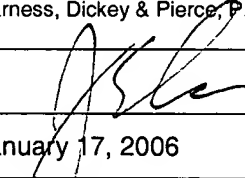
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated October 18, 2005 and respond as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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	Claims remaining after Amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present extra
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